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The Report to the House on the New Tariff Bill.

An Argument Presented in Behalf of Protection.

ation, and reduction in the market of represents in great national and international and and international affairs its purpose, its honor, its policy as to foreign relations." The question of the legality of the proceedings as to Biount's appointment he thought was a question wich it was duty of the senate to deal with. with American labor, which the tar-eide that question and to withhold from

A Mine Flooded.

It is now learned that but three were killed.

will Give Work to 25,000 Hands

New Youx, Dec. 21.-The details of a transaction which will give prosperity to nearly 25,000 mill hands at Fall River have been made public here. By the re-cent purchase of about \$0,000 pieces of print cioth at a cost of more than \$1,000,000 the overstocked market for print cloths stagnant in fear of tariff depreciations, has been given a new lease of life, and the demand for goods has increased to such an extent that the Fall River mills have received orders which will keep them rupning through the winter.

DES MOUNES, Ia., Day. 21.-Judge Conmal, in the district court overruled the motion for a new trial in the grave robbery ters and sentenced Dr. John W. Schnef-fer to six months in the penitentiary and ed two of his associates, J. W. Sloan I James Martin, \$300 each. Judge op, counsel for Schaeffer, gave notice that he would appeal the case to the su-

That Mystery of McClelland. Opty, Ills., Dec. 21.-A new coroner's

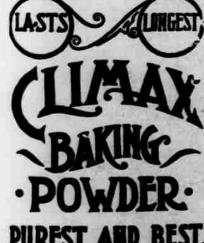
jury has begun another investigation into McClelland skeleton mystery, but very dences left about the pond in which the hones were found he was sure an attempt hel been made to get at the bones a few days before the draining which exposed

The Weather We May Expect.

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Wastingrox. Dec. 21.—The following are
the weather indications for twenty-four hours
from 8 p. m. yesterday: For Indiana and
litinds—Fair, warmer weather; southerly
winds. For Lower Michigan—Generally fair
weather; slightly warmer in the eastern portions southwesterly winds. For Upper Michigan—Fair weather, preceded by light showers in the eastern portion; southerly or southwesterly winds; slightly warmer. For Wiscusin—Fair weather; slightly warmer, extept stationary temperature in the extreme
northern portion; southwesterly winds. For
leva—Fair, slightly warmer weather; southwesterly winds.

A governess, writing from South Afria, says: "The life of a governess on a farm is truly terrible for English girls-indeed few can stand it. Often the people, except the children, can only speak Dutch, and for weeks together you will see no one else. Your bedroom will have a mud floor, baths are an unknown luxury, while there will be absolutely no sanitary arrange-



PUREST AND BEST.



Senator Hoar Is Just Now Wanting Information.

PARALLEL FOUND IN SHAKESPEARE

egherry's Charge to the Watch Compared With the Instructions Willis Took With Him to Honolulu—Dolph Makes a Mileage Suggestion to Peffer-Hatchison Gives the House a General Rakira Down for Extravagance—Congressional Notes. A Coal Mine Under Water in Pennsylvania.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The Hawaiian question has been disposed of for the present in the senate, for after argument by Hoar the message and accompanying decuments have been referred to the committee WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The Hawaiian

on foreign relations. Hoar's speech was Eighty Men Believed to be be should devote himself to a purely American question, a question affecting the constitutional rights of the American Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—The people and the constitutional, power, duty minority tariff report presented to ments of the government asestablished for the house today reviews the prob-lems of wages, invention and the demand for lower wages. Competi-tion and lower wages, the report holds, mean a lower level of civiliz-

the people of the United States what he was doing until it was settled one way or PATTSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 20 .- Water the other, seemed to have supposed that he this morning broke in the two lewer was the United States of America, and that was the United States of America, and that whatevers of the Oak Hill colliery at Minersville, operated by Schwenk, Feiserang & Co. Twelve hundred men are employed, 800 on flooded levels. It is believed 80 are drowned.

Was the United States of America, and that whatever that phrase meant it was but a synonym for him. There was but one parallel for Willis' instructions. He did not know whether the president had ever read Shakespeare, but if it were true Shakespeare had read the president. [Laughter.] The only parallel was Dogberry's instructions to the watch.

"You're thought here to be the mos senseless and fit man for the constable of the watch. Therefore bear you the lan-tern. This is your charge: You shall com-prehend all men. You are to bid any man

stand in the prince's name."
Watchman-How if he will not stand? Dogberry-Why, then, take note of him, but let him go.

The quotation evoked a wave of laugh-

They Do Not Have to Take It. The senate proceedings were in the usual humdrum style after this until the urgent deficiency bill came up with that obnoxious amentment for mileage in it. Peffer moved to strike out the item allowing mileage. He argued that in the present depressed condition of the country it was wrong for senators and representatives to take money to which their right at least

was doubted.

Dolph wished to remind the senator from Kansas that something had escaped his at-tention; that no one was obliged to take the mileage, and if the bill passed and the senator from Kansas or any other senator, had any compunction of conscience about it they could leave the money in the treas-

CHARGES OF EXTRAVAGANCE.

Hutchison and Others in the House Make

The conference report on the urgency delittle evidence of importance has been ad-ducel. R. E. Pate testified that from evi-the house. That same mileage amendment was a very "dammed spot" in the bill that Sayers and Hutchison of Texas and others were furious with because it would not oppose the conference report he made a vigorous speech, in which he scored congress for the reckless and wanton extrava-gance displayed in these halls. Before he came to congress he had worshiped the Democratic party as a man worships his mother. He now wishe to apologize for the words of glorification he had uttered during the canvass.

"Oh, the gentleman from Kansas [Simp-son] need not smile," he said, squarely facing the Kansas Populist. "I intend to pay my respects to his party before I fin-ish. He stood here yesterday when mem-bers were voting him mileage, like Casabianca 'on the burning deck whence all but him had fled.' But where were his Populist collengues? Every one of them had voted for the steal." He had; lost hope of the Populist party when but one member [Simpsom] would vote against such plundering as took place yesterday. He still looked with hope, however, to the silver Democrats; forty-seven of the fortyeight who voted against the mileage prop-

osition yesterday were silver Democrats. Going to Meet the Ex-President. A delegation of about forty senators and representatives will go to Philadelphia this afternoon to attend the reception given to ex-President Harrison by the Union League club. A committee of the clubwas here during yesterday making up the list of Washington guests. They will include Proctor, who was Harrison's first secretary of war; Manderson, Hawley, Carey, and Representatives Burrows, Dalzell, Houtelle, Bingham, Henderson of Illinois, Doolittle, Meiklejohn, Wanger, Mercer, Reyburn, Harmer, Settle and others.

Report of Secretary Carlisle. WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The annual report of Secretary Carlisle has been sent to both houses of congress. The document is a very thorough and exhaustive review of the condition of the government's of the condition of the government's finances and contains various recommendations for the relief of the treasury. The secretary discusses at considerable length the following general topics, viz: "Condition of the Treasury," "Currency Legislation," "Review of the Revenue Lawa."

The secretary estimates the revenues for the fiscal year which will end June 30 at \$430,121,000, and expenditures at \$458,121,000, leaving a deficit of \$28,000,000 on the year.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.-Cockrell's bill to promote arrial navigation authorizes the appropriation of \$100,000 for payment to an inventer from any part of the world who shall at any time prior to Jan. 1, 1900, construct a vessel that will demonstrate the malety of navigating the air at a good

WHO IS UNCLE SAM? carrying passengers and freight to the extent of five tons.

Washington, Dec. 21—Senator Faulkner has received a telegram from Salt Lake
City which says: "Our Liberal friends
formally dissolved their party last night
and adopted resolutions urging you to pass
our statehood bill immediately. There is
no opposition to our admission into the
Union. Hasten the bill through the senate and make us all happy. Herd no representations that old conditions still exist. The practice of plygamy has been absolutely abandoned."

Carlisle Receives Two Resignati Wishington, Dec. 21.—Secoetary Car-lisle has received and accepted the resig-nations of John Feberenbatch, supervising inspector of steam vessels at Cincinnati, O., and Charles F. Kimball, appraiser of merchanding at Detroit Mich. rehandise at Detroit, Mich.

Asks the Banks to Report.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The comptroller of the currency has issued a call for a statement of the condition of national banks at the close of business Dec. 19.

REPUBLICANS OF ILLINOIS.

The State Central Committee Begins Re-

organizing the Party.
CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—The Republican state meeting, which was attended by the members of the committee and leading Repub licans from the city and state. Short ad-

committee to superintend the work of or-

The resignation of J. P. Wilson, of the The G. O. M. Doesn't Think Our Ex-Naval Ninth district, who has removed from the state, was received and C. W. Raymond state, was received and C. Haymond elected in his place. The reapportionment of congressional districts necessitated the reorganization of the committee and this was left until the reorganization of the Secretary Jamieson, ex-Attorney General Hunt and Judge Fuilerton.

EXPLAINS A RAILWAY HORROR.

"Do you owe any duty to your com-pany?" "Certainly. To keep trains mov-ing a rapidly as possible."
"Now, sir, which of these duties do you

consider more important?" "I reckon they are about equally important." ing that the saving of a minute or two of

that it?" Yes, sir," after a pause. "Then you wanted to save a minute or two of time when you hurried Conductor Scott out of Battle Creek station on that fatal morning? That was it, was it?"

nered at Last.

CIIICAGO, Dec. 21.-The man who murdered Mrs. Cron has at last admitted his crime, and it is Charles Goodrich, who has been under arrest for some time. He was taken out to Wilmette, where the crime Corbin's representatives explained that they had 4,000 acres of land under cultivation on an island in Chicot lake which comprised altogether about 12,000 acres of taken out to Wilmette, where the crime was committed, and took the officers over the route traversed by himself and com-panions on the fatal night when Mrs. Cron as a reason that convict labor could be was so foully murdered, Logan, one of the burglars, shot dead by Mr. Wheeler, Mrs. Cron's son-in-law, and the house destroyed ference with any industries where free to hide the crime

"When Goodrich was brought back yesterday afternoon he told the entire story, said Inspector Shea. "He admitted that he drew the razor across Mrs. Cron's throat. According to Goodrich's story, he was bending over her bed, when she awoke in a fright and threw her arms about him, calling loudly for help. Then he slashed her across the neck and the blade os the razor caught in her bair. That accounts for the hairs found sticking to the blade. We will take his case before the grand

John R. McLean, proprietor of The Enquirer, to distribute at Christmas, he will this year give \$5,000 to the worthy poor of Cincinnati. The lists of the needy pre-Cincinnati. The lists of the needy pre-pared by the overseers of the poor and by the management of various charitable in-stitutions have been taken and investigated, so that only the really deserving will be beneficiaries of his generosity.

He Founded a Kansas Town. MILWAUKEE, Dec. 21.-Colonel E. Har-

rison Cawker, one of Milwaukee's wealthy citizens, died suddenly, aged 45 years. He was the founder of Cawker City, Kas., and acquired his military title from his connection with the militia of that state.

Another Victim Is Dead. PTTTSBURG, Dec. 21.—Robert Hines,a vic-tim of the railroad accident near Brad-dock, is dead. All the others are doing well and will recover.

JOHN BULL'S NAVY.

Agree With Gladstone.

RUSSIA AND FRANCE GOING AHEAD.

Grand Old Man Given Some F That Will Do to Think About-English Vessels Inferior Both in Guns and Armo and in a Few Years She Will Be Behine

New York, Dec. 21.—An Associated Press reporter called on General Benjamin F. Tracy, ex-secretary of the navy, and read a cablegram from London in reference to what Gladstone said about him in reply to lord George Hamilton when the altter quoted Tracy as having said that England would require to be building nineteer battleships within the next two years in order to maintain her position. The London Globe's defense of Tracy against Mr. Gladstone's attack was also read to the general. While the reporter was reading the ex-secretary laughed heartily, and in repply to the reporter's query, he said: "Well, I don't see that the matter calls for central committee gathered here in open any comment on my part, as I think the Globe has done that for me.

Gives the G. O. M. Some Advice "However, I will say that if Mr. Gladdresses were made on the condition of the stone studies the condition of the French party in Illinois. In the afternoon the central committee met in executive session, every district represented either in person. central committee met in executive session, every district represented either in person or by proxy. Most of the afternoon was spent in discussion and elaboration of the reorganization of the party in the state. The plan adopted is similar to the one in Cook county. It is based on precinct organization, whose presidents form the ward committee and the presidents of these in turn constitute the county executive committee.

In like manner congressional and legislative campaign committees are constiby the respective presidents in those districts. Chairman Clark, Secretary Jamieson and Judge Fullerton were appointed a committee to superintend the work of or

GLADSTONE ON GEN. TRACY.

Secretary an Expert.

efficiency of the British navy, to General party in the districts. The question of testing the constitutionality of the recent leginary. According to the full report of the islative apportionment act was left to a committee consisting of Chairman Clark, do not know why Lord George Hamilton Secretary Jamieson, ex-Attorney General should quote Secretary Tracy, whose name

name. What means that gentleman has of examining the case I do not know."

Lord George Hamilton here interposed, saying: "General Tracy for four years was secretary of the United States navy."

To this Gladstone replied: "Then it seems to me that he corresponds a little with Lord George Hamilton only not enter the

was resumed at the trial of Conductor Scott and a prefound sensation was caused by the witness, answers.

"Do you as a train dispatcher owe any duty to the travelling public?" asked Mr. Meacham for the defense- There was a long pause. "I suppose so," he said at last.

"What is it?" "To avoid accidents, I suppose."

"Do you owe any duty to your company?" "Certainly. To keep trains moving a rapidly as possible."

"Now, sir, which of these duties do you justified.

with Lord George Hamilton, only not quite so good. I do not suppose that General Tracy acquired such knowledge that the whole of parliament has to defer to the opinion he sent us across the Atlantic." The Globe protests against what it describes as Gladstone's "attack" upon Tracy, who, the Globe adds, has a very high reputation in naval matters. The Globe then remarks that General Tracy's work as secretary of the navy was a most distinct success and that Gladstone's sneer at him was unprovoked and utterly unjustified. justified.

Solution. time to the company is just as important as saving scores of human lives? Is Co., within a few days expect to hear from the state penitentiary commission of Arkansas in regard to a proposition they have submitted to that body concerning the em-ployment of convict labor of that state, a subject that has caused the authorities a GOODRICH ADMITS HIS CRIME. great deal of trouble. Corbin & Co. believe their proposal will not only solve the problem of convict labor, but it will also

Express Company Lost Nothing. St. Louis, Dec. 21 .- A special to The Republic from New Orleans says: The agents of Wells-Fargo express say that the express car in which Richardson was killed was not robbed and that the company did not loss a cent. Richardson had a gold watch on him at the time of the murder which the robbers did not disturb. The opinion of the express officials is that Rich-ardson was either killed by some private nemy, a view of the matter they are now lisposed to take, or that the robbers, after disposed to take, or that the rooter killing him, were interrupted in the CINCINNATI, Dec. 21.—In addition to the bery by the train stopping at Dayton, onations which it has been the custom of the En-

Ex-Secretary Tracy Fails to

in Tonnage and Number-Gladstone's

LONDON, Dec. 21 .- Some surprise is exhouse of commons during a debate on the is no more sacred in my eyes than any other name. What means that gentleman has

MARSHALL, Mich., Dec. 21.—The crossexamination of train Dispatcher Cornell
was resumed at the trial of Conductor
was resumed at the trial of Conductor

THE CONVICT LABOR PROBLEM.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.-Austin Corbin & result in a substantial income to the state

Corbin's representatives explained that guards and with the least possible inter-ference with any industries where free labor was employed.

Another of the strange stories for which the English chancery court is remarkable is astonishing everybody today. The Widow Cullener had a life interest in her husband's estate, terminating on her remarriage. It is alleged that she married a certain James Stanley in 1865. The answer is that the widow is Stanley. She has lived as a man for the past 28 years and carried on business as a plumber. She went through a marriage ceremony in 1866 with another woman named Newland, and they lived as man and wife till 1885. The case is still on trial.—London Cor. New York Sun.

Murdered His Countryman.

St. Paul, Dec. 21.—Pasco Farriddi, an Italian, living near the Smith Avenue bridge, was murdered by Jalsmo Melano, another Italian, who escaped. The murder was the result of a quarrel.

Mr. and Mrs. William Morse, a Taunton, Mass., couple, have just calebrated their aixty-sixth wedding anniversary. Mrs. Morse, in her 5tth year, is doing her own housework, and her husband, who is 10 years old, is still bright and stort.



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Handsome etchings, with light and dark frames at \$1.49 each. Ladies' manicure sets, toilet sets work boxes. Ladies and gents' toilet sets, infants' toilet sets, all in large range of prices and styles.

Gents' leather; metal and plush shaving sets. Gents' collar and cuff sets, assorted styles. Japanese goat rugs at \$1.98 and \$3.39 each. Purses, shopping bags and chatelaines, 3c to

\$3 each. Ladies' and gents' silk umbrellas from 98c to \$5

Lamp shade lace (silk) 19c to 42c a yard. Solid silver spoons in sets of six, assorted, \$8.49 Solid silver spoons in sets of six, assorted,

small size, for \$5.98 for set.
Solid gold rings with stone settings at 23 to 50c Perfumes in bulk and fancy bottles.

Handkerchiefs from 1c to \$2 each. Mufflers from 121c to \$2.48 each. Fur muffs from 25c to \$7.98 each. Down quilts from \$3,48 to \$15 each. Table covers from 69c to \$8 each. Linen table cloths and napkins from \$4.45 to \$15 a set.

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\$1.97 each. Misses' cloaks reduced from \$6 and \$7 to \$3.66

Shawls-beaver-prices from \$4.48 up. Horse blankets-5 A-a full assortment from Elevated railroad train \$4.98.

Chautauqua drawing boards reduced to \$2.69 Albums all prices from 50c to \$5 each. China in lots assorted, choice for 10c, 12c, 15c,

18c and 25c each. Child's China dishes 22c to \$2.48 a set, beautifully decorated. Sleds-prices from 49c to \$1.98 each. Skates—prices from 45c to \$2.53 a pair. Magic lanterns from 25c to \$4.43 each.

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